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SUBJ: ITU LF/MF BROADCASTING CONFERENCE

REF: GENEVA 8094-C

1. DEPT PREFERS AT THIS POINT, NOT TO TAKE ANY FORMAL ACTION
DIRECTLY WITH GOJ FOR DELETION OF DATE REFERENCE IN FOOTNOTE
AO28. US HAS NO PLAN TO USE 1179 KHZ AFTER CLOSE OF STATION.
SINCE NHK HAS SHOWN INTEREST IN POSSIBLY TAKING OVER FACILITIES
AND USING MEDIUM WAVE FREQUENCY FOR BROADCASTING TO JAPAN
AND/OR SOUTHEAST ASIA, SUGGEST US TEAM
QUERY GOJ DELEGATE RE NHK PLANS. IF JAPANESE INTERESTED IN
OPTION OF USING FREQUENCY YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT MENTIONING
TERMINATE DATE IN FOOTNOTE MAY LEAD TO (A) DISCUSSION OF
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FUTURE ALLOCATION OF 1179 KHZ AFTER MAY 1977, AND (B)

RESULTANT COMPETITIVE BID FOR FREQUENCY AND
POSSIBLE LOSS OF FREQUENCY TO GOJ USE AFTER ABOVE
DATE. YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT LAST ITU CONFERENCE
WAS HELD IN 1948, AND THAT FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS DECIDED IN
CURRENT CONFERENCE CANNOT BE RENEGOTIATED UNTIL NEXT CONFERENCE
WHICH MAY BE LONG TIME AWAY IN FUTURE. BY NOT RAISING ISSUE OF
FUTURE ALLOCATION OF 1179 KHZ AT THIS TIME, GOJ WILL HAVE
OPTION TO CONTINUE TO USE FREQUENCY AFTER VOA OPERATION IS
TERMINATED. ADVISE RESULTS OF DISCUSSION WITH GOJ DELEGATES.

2. IF JAPANESE ARE UNCONCERNED ABOUT KEEPING FREQUENCY FOR
THEIR USE, AND THEREFORE PLANS TAKE NO FURTHER ACTION RE
FOOTNOTE, DEPT WILL CONSIDER ADVISABILITY OF CALLING
FOR MIN ATTENTION TO FACT THAT QUOTE UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES
UNQUOTE DELAYING CLOSING OF STATION IS THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE,
AND THAT SPECIFYING TERMINATION DATE IN ITU DOCUMENT WILL
NOT ALLOW FOR THIS LEGITIMATE CONTINGENCY. KISSINGER

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